



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Mrs. Helen H. Stathatos

Mr. Frank S. Bacio  
Mr. Vito Cannella  
Mr. John A. Hammargren  
Mr. Carl E. Moore  
Mrs. Maxine B. Russell

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS**  
**REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 1, 2006**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Montano called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

Chair Montano led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present**

Chair Eleanor R. Montano  
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos  
Frank S. Bacio  
Vito Cannella  
Carl E. Moore

**Excused Absence**

John A. Hammargren  
Maxine B. Russell

**Others Present**

Jennifer Lehman, County Counsel  
Sandra Barbee, Chief, Commission Services  
Jim Corbett, Assistant Chief, Commission Services  
Audra Galang, Commission Services

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2006 MEETING**

This item was continued to the next meeting.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Montano announced the attendance for three commissioners at the Aviva Conference will be paid for by the Board of Supervisors. Present will be Chair Montano, Vice Chair Helen Stathatos and Commissioner Maxine Russell.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Bacio reported the current balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$782.00.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Mr. Jim Corbett distributed three of the digital cameras and gave a brief overview of how they work.

Ms. Jennifer Lehman, County Counsel representative, reported the Commission's Ordinance, Paragraph 3 - Section 2.82.090 about inspections of jails, probation and correctional facilities was amended.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board letter on the Aviva Family and Children's Services' 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference on Thursday, February 16, 2006, in Studio City, California will be submitted this week for approval.

### **FACILITY/GROUP INSPECTION REPORTS**

#### **Greater Hope Society Inc. #50-2**

Chair Montano visited this facility on January 26, 2006 and no one was home.

#### **Greater Hope Society Inc. #49-3**

Chair Montano visited this facility on January 26, 2006, and found the facility was closed.

#### **Greater Hope Society Inc. #50-1**

Chair Montano visited this facility on January 30, 2006 and no one was home.

#### **Greater Hope Society Inc. #50-2**

Chair Montano inspected this facility on January 31, 2006. She noted the following areas of concern: kitchen shelves and drawers need lining repapered; no mattress pads on the beds; no written menu posted and there is a need to paint the walls and the water heater.

### **East Los Angeles Court**

Commissioners Bacio and Moore inspected this facility on January 31, 2006. They noted no irregularities, although the turn out gear has not been replaced with sizes other than small.

### **East Los Angeles Sheriff's Station**

Commissioners Bacio and Moore inspected this facility on January 31, 2006. They noted the following areas of concern: the beds in the cells are too high off the floor. The infrastructure problem on public plumbing is in the process of repairing leaks. The facility needs painting, although they are in the removal of asbestos.

### **Five Acres Group Home #42-1**

Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella inspected this facility on January 26, 2006 and noted that it is a very well-kept and maintained group home.

### **Eagleston Group Home #31-3**

Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella inspected this large facility on January 30, 2006 and noted that it is a very well run facility and has very organized group activities. She submitted a list of all the vehicles and the drivers of the facility. California Highway Patrol visits yearly and checks out all of their vehicles.

### **Zenith Group Home #114-1**

Commissioner Bacio inspected this facility on January 26, 2006 and noted that no changed diet menu was posted and the needs and services plans were not up-to-date. A DPSS audit done in July 2005 showed no problems with the home.

### **NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Montano distributed inspection assignments to Commissioners for the following week.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Montano adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jim Corbett*

Commission Services Staff